

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

## *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, First Sergeant Dana K. Nelson's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, First Sergeant Dana K. Nelson has devoted over 33 years of his life to the service of this country as a leader of soldiers. He dedicated himself as the First Sergeant of the 235<sup>th</sup> Military Police Company and also provided many years of support to the Engineer Corps. He has made a positive impact on the South Dakota National Guard through his skill sets, dedication to the soldiers, and support of Operation Enduring Freedom; and,

*Whereas*, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

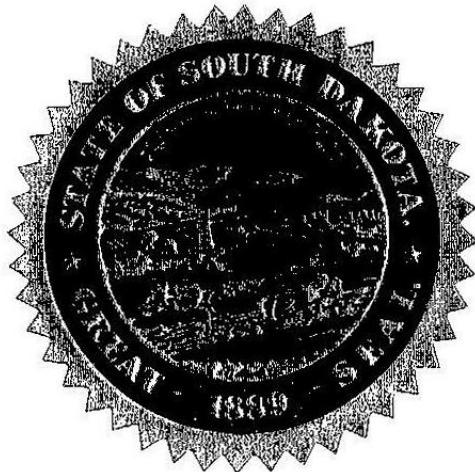
*Whereas*, First Sergeant Dana K. Nelson continues to give of himself; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend First Sergeant Dana K. Nelson for over 33 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

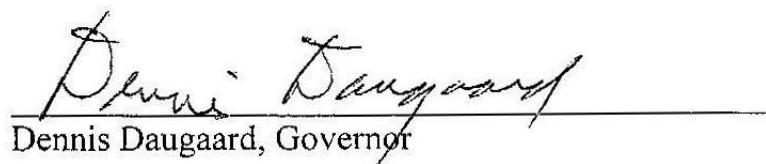
*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 31, 2011; as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixteenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

  
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Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

  
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Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State